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From the Pastor's Desk...

May God Bless you during this sacred season of Advent and expectation of our Lord.

I'd like to thank all of you and our ministries, especially the St. Vincent de Paul for helping some families at this time of year we who are struggling just to get by. Your generosity means so much

Merry Christmas Fr. Xavier and Staff

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES



Offertory envelope boxes for 2025 are now available at the front of the church. Please take your box and **PRINT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS** on the first 4 envelopes you use in JANUARY

2025. Please do not use your 2025 envelopes until January. Thank you for your generosity



Please note that the deadline for donations (included in the 2024 tax receipt) is **December 31, 2024.** Any donations **received after this date** will

be counted towards your **2025** tax receipt.

WATCH MASS LIVE

Saint Martha and Mary Parish is now online you're able to watch our masses and special events through our website and this link.

Thank you to Boltwave for setting up our live streaming. I hope this will especially help those who are physically unable to attend our church. God Bless Fr Xavier.

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24 7:00 pm Mass (especially for children) 9:00 pm Mass 11:00 pm – carolling 11:30 Mass Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 12:30 pm Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God Tuesday, December 31 7:00 pm Wednesday, January 1 9:00 am and 11:00 am

LEGION OF MARY

Our new Legion of Mary group, "Queen of Heaven and Earth", has meetings held every Wednesday night at 7:30 pm in the JFK hall. Come and join us and learn more about your faith, the teachings of the Church, and the example of holiness set by the Virgin Mary and the saints.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekend December 15 Weekly: **\$9162.55** Thank you for your generous support.



| MONDAY, DECEMBER 23 – 9:00 A.M. | |
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| | Intentions of the Carnevale Family |
| TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 | |
| 9:00 A.M. | + Stefan Geza Koloman Bayler |
| | Intentions of Kevin O'Marra |
| 7:00 P.M. | Intentions of Mario Carnevale |
| 9:00 P.M. | |
| 11:30 P.M. | |
| WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 | |
| 9:00 A.M. | + Felicjia Gilas |
| 11:00 A.M. | + Mark Gjini & Alfred Kolic |
| | + Deceased member of the |
| | Ebeyer & Portelli families |
| 12:30 P.M. | Intentions of Sushila Lalsingh |
| THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26 – 9:00 A.M. | |
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| FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27 - 9:00 A.M. | |
| | + Sam Cole Jr. |
| SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28 | |
| 9:00 A.M. | |
| 4:30 P.M. | |
| <u>SUNDAY, Dec. 29 – 4th FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY</u> | |
| 9:00 A.M. | + Leslie & Yvette Dias |
| 11:00 A.M. | + John Coutinho |
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PADRE PIO DEVOTION



Join us every Monday morning at 9 AM mass for a devotion to Padre Pio and be blessed by his relic. We also have a special mass the second Monday of the month at 7 PM in Italian.

"Pray, Hope and don't Worry"

- Padre Pio

ROSARY

Come join us every Wednesday night for the Rosary at 6:15 PM, followed by Mass at 7:00 PM in honour of our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Christmas

SENIORS IN FRIENDSHIP

The next Seniors in Friendship social group will meet on **Wednesday**, **January 15**, 2025. Have a blessed

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our last Children's Liturgy for 2024 will be on December 26th. We will resume on January 5th. We wish all our children and their families a happy advent and a joyous Christmas!

KNITTING CLUB

The knitting club will be on holiday break the last two weeks of December. We will restart on January 7th, 2025.

GOOD SHEPHERD NEEDS COFFEE



Give a Cup of Coffee – Feel the Warmth

With the weather getting colder, help Good Shepherd Ministries serve 1000 cups of

coffee each day to people who struggle with homelessness and poverty. Kindly drop your donation of coffee in the bin located in our parish. Thank you for your generosity.

ST JOSEPH CHAPEL

Our chapel is now available 24 hours a day. To find information on how to enter the chapel after office hours please contact the pastor, one of the sacristans or the parish office.

We have decided to do this to encourage participation in the year of prayer in anticipation for next year's Jubilee themed Pilgrims of Hope.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - PILGRIMS OF HOPE



In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we will open the Jubilee Year with a Solemn Opening Mass taking place on Sunday, December 29, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. All are

invited to join in this special celebration. Please note that the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available prior to the Eucharist from 3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

